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1. Schwerin (T-46)

a. Schwerin-Haselholz was occupied in January 1948 by an artillery unit with thirty AT guns, six German rocket projectors, and three Stalin Orgels.

16.2 FM b. A large Red Army signal corps unit was housed in barracks northeast of the Ostdorfer See during January 1948.

c. A central gasoline depot was located on the Faulensee southeast of Schwerin during January 1948.

d. Schwerin's Blücher School houses a large ordnance depot.

e. An armored regiment occupies barracks situated between Ziegel and Heidensee. On 20 January, fifteen tanks (T-34) were observed in the yard.

f. Resident in Schwerin during January 1948 were: General Tarasov, Colonel Kondratiev, Colonel Amasov (Hero of the Soviet Union), and Major Pavkina.

g. Many of the Schwerin troops wear red shoulder tabs. Most dependents have been shipped out.

2. Ludwigslust (T-53)

a. Two rifle regiments without vehicles arrived by train on 14 January. Three EM of these units stated that they were to remain in Ludwigslust until the end of February.

b. An armored regiment occupied barracks southwest of the town during January 1948.

c. There were 100 men, plus ground crew, at the Ludwigslust airfield during January. Little air activity was observed.

3. Letzlinger Heide (Y-53)

This training area was momentarily free of troops in mid-January. An officers' training school, to be established at Hillersleben (Y-51), is to have a strength of 300.

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**CONFIDENTIAL**4. Magdeburg (E-17)

Troop strength has been constantly reduced; in early January there were only about 600 men in Demmin. There were no air force units in the area. The Junkers plants have been completely dismantled.

5. Rosslau (E-17)

- a. Tank training courses are given at the former engineers school to units bringing their vehicles with them. Completing one of these three-month courses in January were two armored brigades with 3,000 trainees and approximately 400 cadre.
- b. The Rosslau Kommandatur has been dissolved and all its functions transferred to the Kreiskommandatur at Zerbst (B-98).
- c. General Glasgov commands a military hospital in Rosslau. Patient and personnel strength was approximately 400 during January 1948. Until early 1947, the hospital contained about 6,000 VD cases; these were gradually returned to Russia between January and August 1947.

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